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United States possessions. This includes information concerning the identification of witnesses, informants and persons suspected of being dangerous to persons under protection.

- (v) Information on deposits of foreign official institutions in United States banks and on foreign official institutions' holdings, purchases and sales of long-term marketable securities in the United States.
- (w) Information concerning economic and policy studies and sensitive assessments or analyses of economic conditions, policies or activities of foreign countries or international organizations of governments received through the Multilateral Development Banks and Funds or through the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).
- (x) Information described in paragraphs (a) through (w) contained in correspondence, transcripts, memoranda of conversation, or minutes of meetings between the President of the United States or the Vice President of the United States and foreign government officials.
- (y) Information described in paragrpahs (a) through (w) contained in documents originated by or sent to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, his Deputy, members of the National Security Council staff, or any other person on the White House or the Executive Office of the President staffs performing national security functions.
- (z) Federal agency originated documents bearing Presidential, National Security Council, or White House or Executive Office of the President staffs' comments relating to categories of information described in paragraphs (a) through (w).
- (aa) Information as described in paragraphs (a) through (w) contained in correspondence to or from the President or the Vice President, including background briefing memoranda and talking points for meetings between the President or the Vice President and foreign government officials, and discussions of the timing and purposes of such meetings.
- (bb) Information as described in paragraphs (a) through (w) contained in

agency message traffic originated by White House or Executive Office of the President staff members but sent through agency communication networks.

## § 2002.7 Referral and decision.

- (a) When the identity of the agencies having declassification authority over foreign government information is not apparent to the agency holding the information, or when reviewing officials do not possess the requisite expertise, the information shall be referred for review and a declassification determination as follows:
- (1) Categories 2002.6 (b) through (d), Department of Energy or Nuclear Regulatory Commission (as appropriate).
- (2) Categories 2002.6 (e) and (f), Central Intelligence Agency.
- (3) Categories 2002.6 (g) through (l), Department of State.
- (4) Categories 2002.6 (m) through (t), Department of Defense.
- (5) Categories 2002.6 (u) and (w), Department of the Treasury.
- (6) Categories 2002.6 (x) through (bb), National Security Council.
- (b) Referrals to agencies shall include copies of the documents containing the foreign government information. Agencies shall review the referred documents and promptly notify the Archivist of the United States of the declassification determination. Forwarded copies of the documents shall be marked to reflect any downgrading or declassification action and shall be returned to the National Archives.

## § 2002.8 Downgrading.

Foreign government information classified "Top Secret" may be downgraded to "Secret" after 30 years unless the agency with declassification authority over it determines on its own, or after consultation, as appropriate, with the foreign government or international organization of governments which furnished the information, that it requires continued protection at the "Top Secret" level.